



# Amber Haggins\*

Senior Director of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion and Talent

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Amber Haggins is Katten's senior director of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) and Talent. In this role, she collaborates with the executive Diversity Committee and other key partners to embed diversity, inclusion and cultural competency into the firm's day-to-day operations, including the hiring, development, retention and education of the firm's attorney and business professional populations. Amber also provides leadership and guidance to the firm's affinity groups, including the Women's Leadership Forum, Committee on Race and Ethnic Diversity, Partner Collective on Race and Ethnic Diversity, Katten Parents Affinity Group, Black Attorneys Affinity Group, and LGBTQ+ Coalition.

## Experience rooted in diversity and the law

Amber brings to the table over 15 years of experience leading transformational change. She has helped organizations across industries to embed equitable practices and enhance their brands and workplace culture and performance. Amber is passionate about empowering individuals, organizations and communities to recognize their ability to create impactful change through inclusive environments, clear purpose and strong brands.

A former *Amlaw 100* firm attorney, Amber previously served in leadership roles in professional services, government, and the aerospace industries, where she was responsible for driving the strategy and execution of diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives in alignment with business goals including talent acquisition, learning and development and retention.

## News

- Katten Hosts Soccer Legend Abby Wambach in Honor of Pride Month (July 3, 2024)
- Katten Hosts Author Heather McGhee at Black History Month Event (February 29, 2024)
- Katten Hosts UCLA Professor Kelly Lytle Hernández for Hispanic Heritage Month (September 29, 2023)

## Education

- Executive Certification Strategic Diversity and Inclusion Management, Georgetown University
- JD, Howard University School of Law
- BS, Florida A&M University, *magna cum laude*

## Community Involvements

- ABA Center for Professional Responsibility, Diversity Committee, co-chair
- Association of Law Firm Diversity Professionals, Member
- National Association of Law Placement (NALP), Member

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- Katten Receives Inaugural 'MCCA Approved Platinum Seal' for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (April 5, 2023)
- Katten Recognized for its Diversity and Inclusion Efforts (August 18, 2020)

## Publications

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- Katten *DEI Annual Report: Celebrating the Differences That Make Us Stronger* (April 17, 2023)

## Presentations and Events

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- International Women's Day With Dame Inga Beale (March 8, 2024)
- Katten 2023 Diversity Summit (June 12–14, 2023) | *Moderator | In Conversation with Roger & Noah*

\* Not a practicing attorney